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1. AFTER COORDINATION WITH EMBASSY, I TELEPHONED BEN-YAACOV IN MAYOR KOLLEK'S OFFICE AND INFORMED HIM AMBASSADOR TOON VERY MUCH REGRETTED THAT HE WOULD BE UNABLE TO ATTEND JANUARY 13 CEREMONY. I INDICATED THAT IN EVENT MUNICIPALITY WISHED TO HAVE USG OFFICIAL PRESENT, I WOULD BE HAPPY TO ATTEND.

2. AFTER CHECKING WITH MAYOR KOLLEK, BEN-YAACOV CALLED BACK TO SAY THAT MUNICIPALITY HAD OBTAINED COMMITMENT FROM PM RABIN TO ATTEND. BASED ON THIS, KOLLEK HAD THOUGHT IT WOULD BE MOST APPROPRIATE TO HAVE AMBASSADOR PRESENT. UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES, MAYOR DECIDED MATTERS BEST LEFT WHERE THEY WERE AND HOPED THAT I WOULD UNDERSTAND. I SAID THAT I DID. WHILE THIS WAS A FUNCTION ORGANIZED BY THE MUNICIPALITY, IT WAS SOMEWHAT UNUSUAL IN THAT THE PM WOULD PARTICIPATE.
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